

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-11 remain pending, claims 1, 10, and 11 being independent.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement on September 10, 2003, and respectfully request that the Examiner return an initialed copy of the form PTO-1449 attached thereto.

Prior Art Rejection

Claims 1-11 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as allegedly being anticipated by Perkes (U.S. Patent 6,373,503). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Independent claim 1 is directed to a digital broadcast receiving device. The device of claim 1 comprises: a receiving unit, arranged in a computer, for receiving a high-definition television picture of a digital broadcast signal and decoding the high-definition television picture; and a selector, arranged in the computer, for selecting either the high-definition television picture decoded by the receiving unit or an output picture of the computer, such that the selected high-definition television picture or the selected output picture is output for display, wherein the selector receives the output picture of the computer via a first path and receives the high-definition television picture via a second path, which by-passes a peripheral component interconnect (PCI) bus of the computer.

Therefore, claim 1 specifies that a selector of the computer, which selects either a high-definition television picture decoded by a receiving unit or an output picture of the computer, receives the high-definition television picture via a path that by-passes a peripheral component interconnect bus of the computer. This arrangement has the advantage of preventing overflow due to the increased data content of high-definition television pictures so that such pictures can be displayed in real time. See e.g., page 10, lines 6-15 of the specification.

In maintaining the rejection based on the teachings of Perkes, the Examiner cites column 2, lines 15-21 as allegedly teaching the selector element/function of claim 1. This cited portion of Perkes, however, merely discloses that a monitor 20 of a system disclosed therein has multiple inputs, i.e., a computer input 620 and a TV input 630. Applicants submit that this multi-input monitor does not teach or suggest that a computer of the multimedia system of Perkes includes a selector as claimed.

According to MPEP § 2131, “a claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference.” *Verdegaal Bros. v. Union Oil Co. of California*, 814 F.2d 628, 631, 2 USPQ2d 1051 (Fed. Cir. 1987). “The identical invention must be shown in as complete detail as is contained in the ... claims.” *Richardson v. Suzuki Motor Co.*, 868 F.2d 1226, 1236, 9 USPQ2d 1913 (Fed. Cir. 1989).

At least in view of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that Perkes fails to anticipate claim 1 or any claim depending therefrom. Furthermore, independent claims 10 and 11 distinguish over Perkes based on similar reasoning.

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In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdraw of the Examiner's rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102.

Conclusion

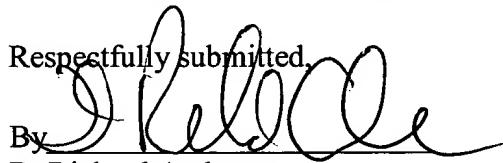
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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